

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 58th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN CINDY YOUNKIN**, on January 8, 2003 at 3 P.M., in Room 152 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Cindy Younkin, Chairman (R)
Rep. Gail Gutsche, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Jim Peterson, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Debby Barrett (R)
Rep. Larry Cyr (D)
Rep. Sue Dickenson (D)
Rep. Ron Erickson (D)
Rep. George Everett (R)
Rep. Kim Gillan (D)
Rep. Christopher Harris (D)
Rep. Carol Lambert (R)
Rep. Michael Lange (R)
Rep. Bruce Malcolm (R)
Rep. Brad Newman (D)
Rep. John (Jack) W. Ross (R)
Rep. Scott Sales (R)
Rep. Veronica Small-Eastman (D)

Members Excused: Rep. Rick Maedje (R)

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Kathleen Ely, Committee Secretary
Larry Mitchell, Legislative Branch

Please Note: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. A videotaped recording of the meeting is available from the Montana Historical Society.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) & Date(s) Posted: HB 46, HB 1/3/2003; HB 85, HB 1/3/2003; HB 89, HB 1/3/2003
Executive Action: HB 46 DO PASS 18-0

HEARING ON HB 46

Sponsor: REP. HAINES, HD 63, MISSOULA

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

3:02 p.m. REP. HAINES

Proponents' Testimony:

3:04 p.m. Anna Miller, Department of Natural Resources (DNRC)

EXHIBIT (nah03a01)

EXHIBIT (nah03a02)

EXHIBIT (nah03a03)

EXHIBIT (nah03a04)

EXHIBIT (nah03a05)

3:14 p.m. Mike Kadas, Mayor of Missoula

EXHIBIT (nah03a06)

3:17 p.m. Alec Hansen, Montana League of Cities and Towns

3:18 p.m. Mike Wendland, Montana Association of Conservation Districts

3:19 p.m. Don Hargrove, Gallatin County

3:21 p.m. Tim Burton, Helena City Manager

3:22 p.m. Terry Casey, Councilman from East Helena

3:23 p.m. Chris Kukulski, City Manager, Kalispell, Montana

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

3:24 p.m. REP. LAMBERT

3:24 p.m. Anna Miller

3:25 p.m. REP. ROSS

3:25 p.m. Anna Miller

3:26 p.m. REP. SMALL-EASTMAN

3:26 p.m. Anna Miller

3:28 p.m. REP. HARRIS

3:28 p.m. Anna Miller

3:32 p.m. REP. ROSS

3:32 p.m. Anna Miller

3:33 p.m. REP. LAMBERT

3:33 p.m. Anna Miller

3:35 p.m. REP. LANGE

Closing by Sponsor:

3:35 p.m. REP. HAINES

EXHIBIT (nah03a07)

HEARING ON HB 85

Sponsor: REP. WANZENREID, HD 68, MISSOULA

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

3:36 p.m. REP. WANZENREID

Proponents' Testimony:

3:43 p.m. Bill Kennedy, Yellowstone County and First Vice
President of Montana Association of Counties

Opponents' Testimony:

3:45 p.m. Alec Hanson, League of Cities and Towns

3:50 p.m. Mike Kadas, Mayor of Missoula

3:58 p.m. Tim Davis, Montana Smart Growth Coalition

3:59 p.m. **Fred Lestiko, Kalispell City Councilman**

4:00 p.m. **Joe Mazurek, City of Great Falls**

4:02 p.m. **Clark Johnson, Bozeman City Manager**

4:04 p.m. **Chris Kukulski**

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

4:07 p.m. **REP. HARRIS**

4:07 p.m. **REP. WANZENREID**

4:12 p.m. **REP. EVERETT**

4:12 p.m. **Mike Kadas**

Closing by Sponsor:

4:13 p.m. **REP. WANZENREID**

4:17 p.m. **Break**

4:29 p.m. **Resume**

HEARING ON HB 89

Sponsor: **REP. A. OLSON, HD 8, ROUNDUP**

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

4:29 p.m. **REP. A. OLSON**

Proponents' Testimony:

4:31 p.m. **Art Compton, Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ)**

4:40 p.m. **John Youngberg, Montana Stockgrowers**

4:43 p.m. **Don Allen, Western Environmental Trade Association**

Opponents' Testimony:

4:45 p.m. **Jeff Barber, Montana Environmental Information Center**

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

4:47 p.m. REP. LAMBERT

4:48 p.m. Art Compton

4:52 p.m. REP. ERICKSON

4:52 p.m. Art Compton

4:58 p.m. REP. EVERETT

4:58 p.m. Art Compton

5:00 p.m. REP. SALES

5:00 p.m. Art Compton

5:02 p.m. REP. ROSS

5:02 p.m. Art Compton

5:04 p.m. REP. DICKENSON

5:05 p.m. Art Compton

5:08 p.m. REP. SMALL-EASTMAN

5:08 p.m. Art Compton

5:16 p.m. REP. BARRETT

5:16 p.m. John Youngberg

Closing by Sponsor:

5:21 p.m. REP. A. OLSON

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HB 46

Motion/Vote: REP. ERICKSON moved that HB 46 DO PASS. Motion passed unanimously, 18-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:26 P.M.

REP. CINDY YOUNKIN, Chairman

KATHLEEN ELY, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (nah03aad)